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May 17, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ONE HIV/AIDS SERVICES AGREEMENT AMENDMENT: HIV/AIDS RESIDENTIAL  
HOSPICE AND SKILLED NURSING FACILITY SERVICES**  
(All Districts) (3 Votes)

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Delegate authority to the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to execute an amendment to one Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) renewal service agreement at the existing rate, for hospice and skilled nursing facility services with AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF), following review and approval by County Counsel, effective June 1, 2005 through August 31, 2005, on a month to month basis, for a total maximum obligation of \$435,431 with pre-admission medical and financial screening pending release of a new Request for Proposals.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

In approving the recommended action, the Board is authorizing the Department of Health Services (DHS or Department) to obligate federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resource Emergency (CARE) Act Title I-Year 15 and County AIDS funds, through execution of one agreement amendment with AHF, for the continuing provision of hospice and skilled nursing facility services.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

The total maximum obligation for the extended agreement for the period June 1, 2005 through August 31, 2005, is \$435,431 offset by CARE Act Title I-Year 15 and County AIDS funds. Funding is available in the FY 04-05 adopted budget and has been requested in the FY 05-06 proposed budget.

Payments under the agreement will be made on a fee-for-service basis.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

The CARE Act of 1990 authorizes grants for the development, coordination, and operation of effective and cost efficient services to people infected with HIV disease or AIDS. Through the CARE Act, there are two sources of funding for Los Angeles County: Title I funds awarded directly to the County and administered by DHS; and Title II funds awarded directly to the State and administered locally by the County. Since 1991, the Board has accepted in excess of \$380 million in CARE Act funds. The Board has taken a number of actions to expend the grant funds, primarily through contracts with community-based organizations.

Care Services - one (1) Agreement

On March 1, 2005, the Board approved a renewal agreement, effective March 1, 2005 through May 31, 2005, on a month-to-month basis.

Services to be supported under the extended agreement include up to 1024 hospice and skilled nursing bed-days at a rate of \$425.00. The amended agreement requires that written documentation of medical as well as financial eligibility must be submitted to and approved by OAPP or OAPP's designee prior to client admission.

Patient Bill of Rights and Responsibilities

Per directive from the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV Health Services, the care services agreement includes the "People With HIV/AIDS Bill of Rights and Responsibilities."

County Counsel will have reviewed and approved the amendment as to form prior to its distribution to the contractor for signature.

Attachment A provides additional information.

CONTRACTING PROCESS:

This amended service contract will bridge the gap between the expiration of the existing agreement and the re-solicitation of these services.

Services will be re-solicited during the extension period.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS):

Approval of this agreement will allow Countywide HIV/AIDS hospice and skilled nursing facility services to continue uninterrupted.

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When approved, this Department requires three signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments (1)

c: Chief Administrative Officer  
County Counsel  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

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SUMMARY OF AGREEMENT1. TYPE OF SERVICE:

HIV/AIDS Care Services

2. AGENCY NAME AND CONTACT PERSON:

AIDS Healthcare Foundation  
 6255 West Sunset Boulevard, Suite 2100  
 Los Angeles, California 90028-8073  
 Attention: Michael Weinstein, President  
 Telephone: (323) 860-5200  
 Fax: (323) 962-8513

3. TERM:

March 1, 2005 thru August 31, 2005

4. FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

	March 1-May 31	June 1-August 31	<u>Total</u>
Maximum County Obligation:	\$435,431	\$435,431	870,862
HRSA CARE Title I Funds:	<\$128,945>	<u>0</u>	<u>128,945</u>
Net County Cost:	<\$306,486>	<\$641,917>	741,917

5. GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:

Countywide

6. ACCOUNTABLE FOR MONITORING AND EVALUATION:

Charles L. Henry, Director,  
 Office of AIDS Programs and Policy

7. APPROVALS:

Office of AIDS Programs and Policy: Charles L. Henry, Director

Public Health: John F. Schunhoff, Ph.D., Chief of Operations

Contracts and Grants Division: Cara O'Neill, Chief

County Counsel (approval as to form): Kelly M. Auerbach-Hassel, Deputy County Counsel